AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listing, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Original) Compounds of formula (I):

$$A - N - N - N - N - Z - Y - Q - Y - Z - B \quad (I)$$

in which:

A and B are terminal groups;

R¹ represents a group of formula (II) or (III):

$$\begin{array}{c}
R^2 \\
C=0
\end{array}$$
(III)

 R^2 represents a C_1 - C_6 alkyl group, an aryl group or a substituted aryl group having one or more C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy or phenyl substituents;

Z represents a group of formula $-(CHR^3)_n$ -, where R^3 represents a hydrogen atom, a hydroxy group or a C_1 - C_4 alkyl group, and n is a number from 0 to 6;

Y represents a carbonyl group or a group of formula -CH₂-;

Q represents a residue of a dihydroxy compound; and

x is a number from 1 to 100.

2. (Original) Compounds according to Claim 1, in which A represents a hydrogen atom, or a group of formula:

$$CH_{2} = CH - Y - Q - Y - Z - Q$$

$$Q - Y - Q - Y - Z - Q$$

$$Hal - Z - Y - Q - Y - Z - Q$$

$$Hal - Y - Q - Y - Z - Q$$

where Y, Q and Z are as defined in Claim 1 and Hal represents a halogen atom.

3. (Currently Amended) Compounds according to Claim 1 or Claim 2, in which B represents a halogen atom or a group of formula:

$$-CH=CH_{2}$$

$$0$$

$$-N$$

$$N-R^{1}-N$$

$$NH$$

in which R¹ is as defined in Claim 1 and Hal represents a halogen atom.

4. (Currently Amended) Compounds according to Claim 2 or Claim 3, in which Hal represents a chlorine or bromine atom.

- 5. (Currently Amended) Compounds according to any one of Claims 1 to 4, in which Z represents a group of formula CHR₃-.
- 6. (Currently Amended) Compounds according to any one of Claims 1 to 5, in which R³ represents a hydrogen atom, a methyl group or an ethyl group.
 - 7. (Original) Compounds according to Claim 6, in which R³ represents a hydrogen atom.
- 8. (Currently Amended) Compounds according to any one of Claims 1 to 4, in which Z represents a group of formula - $(CHR^3)_n$ -, n is a number from 2 to 6 and one of R^3 represents a hydrogen atom or a C_1 - C_4 alkyl group, and the other or others of R^3 represent hydrogen atoms.
- 9. (Currently Amended) Compounds according to any one of the preceding Claims

 Claim 1, wherein Q represents a group of formula -D-Q'-D-, where:

D represents a group of formula -[O(CHR 4 CHR 5)a]y-, -[O(CH $_2$)_bCO]_y- or - [O (CH $_2$)
bCO](y-1)-[O(CHR 4 CHR 5)_a]- ; where:

R⁴ and R⁵ independently represent a hydrogen atom or a C₁ - C₄ alkyl group;

a is a number from 1 to 2;

b is a number from 4 to 5;

y is a number from 1 to 10; and

Q' represents a residue of dihydroxy compound.

10. (Original) Compounds according to Claim 9, in which y is a number from 3 to 10.

11. (Original) Compounds according to Claim 10, in which D represents a group of formula -[O(CHR⁴CHR⁵)_a]_y- where a is an integer from 1 to 2, and y is a number from 1 to 10.

- 12. (Original) Compounds according to Claim 10, in which D represents a group of formula -[OCH₂CH₂]_y-, -[OCH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂]_y- or -[OCH(CH₃)CH₂]_y-, where y is a number from 1 to 10.
- 13. (Original) Compounds according to Claim 10, in which D represents a group of formula -[O(CH₂)_bCO]_y-, where b is a number from 4 to 5 and y is a number from 1 to 10.
- 14. (Original) Compounds according to Claim 10, in which D represents a group of formula [O(CH₂)bCO]_(y-1)-[O(CHR⁴CHR⁵)_a]-, where a is a number from 1 to 2, b is a number from 4 to 5 and y is a number from 1 to 10.
- 15. (Currently Amended) Compounds according to any one of Claims 9 to 14, in which a is 2 and y is a number from 1 to 10.
- 16. (Currently Amended) Compounds according to any one of Claims 9 to 15, in which y is a number from 1 to 6.
- 17. (Currently Amended) Compounds according to any one of Claims 9 to 16, in which Q' is a residue of a poly C₂-C₆ alkylene glycol.
- 18. (Currently Amended) Compounds according to any one of Claims 9 to 16, in which Q' is a residue of ethylene glycol, propylene glycol, butylene glycol, glycerol, 2,2-propanediol, polyethylene glycol, polypropylene glycol or polybutylene glycol.
- 19. (Currently Amended) Compounds according to any one of Claims 1 to 8, in which Q is a residue of a poly C2-C6 alkylene glycol.

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20. (Original) Compounds according to Claim 19, in which Q is a residue of ethylene glycol, propylene glycol, butylene glycol, glycerol, 2,2-propanediol, polyethylene glycol, polypropylene glycol or polybutylene glycol.

- 21. (Currently Amended) Compounds according to any one of the preceding Claims

 Claim 1, in which x is a number from 1 to 50.
 - 22. (Original) The compound of formula (I) used as a photoinitiation sensitiser.
- 23. (Original) An energy-curable composition comprising: (a) a polymerisable monomer, prepolymer or oligomer; (b) a photoinitiator; and (c) the sensitiser of Claim 22.
- 24. (Original) A process for preparing a cured polymeric composition by exposing a composition according to Claim 23 to actinic radiation.
- 25. (Original) A process according to Claim 24, in which the actinic radiation is ultraviolet radiation.